GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether he had organised meeting with State Governments to improve rural sanitation;

(b) if so, the outcome thereof;

(c) whether the State Governments have pleaded for an additional resources for this purpose;

(d) whether the Union Government have assured to fully finance the pilot projects for rural sanitation; and

(e) if so, the time by which this plan is likely to be implemented?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI A.RAJA)

(a) to (c) Ministry of Rural Development had last year organized Regional meetings with the State Governments mainly to acquaint them about the components of Restructured Central Rural Sanitation Programme and to facilitate the formulation of project proposals under Total Sanitation Campaign. Few State Governments have pleaded to take more districts in their States other than the identified pilot districts under Total Sanitation Campaign.

(d) & (e) Under the Restructured Central Rural Sanitation Programme funds are provided both for allocation based programmes and Total Sanitation Campaign. The funds for the pilot projects under Total Sanitation Campaign are shared by the Central Government, State Government and the beneficiaries. Central Government, however, provides full assistance for preliminary surveys, initial publicity etc. The Total Sanitation Campaign is already under implementation and so far 46 projects amounting to about Rs.504 crores in different States have already been sanctioned.